

Connecting for Conservation



C4C Santa Fe

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C4C Santa Fe Newsletter - April Issue

C4C SF Member,

Thank you all for the news and events you sent in. Gratefully, here is the April 2024 issue of the C4C Santa Fe newsletter.

Our network's regional conservation news...

"Claims Office discusses outreach efforts, new funding opportunities at Town Hall"

By Vanessa Maciel, Las Vegas Optic



Photo by Patrick Lohmann / Source New Mexico

"Connecting reputable contractors with those who need to and are ready to rebuild was one of several key discussion points during a town hall meeting put on by the Hermits Peak/Calf Canyon Fire Claims Office on March 14 at New Mexico Highlands University's student union building.

The event was led by a panel that included Claims Office staff and FEMA representatives. Other topics discussed included new outreach initiatives and fire-related events that now have more clear cut pathways towards compensation."

[Read on here!](#)

Our network's upcoming events...

Greater Santa Fe Fireshed Coalition - Fireshed Ambassador Program

"Ready, Set, Go! A Wildfire Preparedness Workshop"

April 27th, from 10am to 1pm at Christ Church Santa Fe, 1213 Don Gaspar



The Greater Santa Fe Fireshed Coalition

"Join us at Ready, Set, Go! to take positive steps to build a Fire Adapted Community. Get information and help from the experts from the Fire Adapted New Mexico Learning Network, Santa Fe Fireshed Coalition, Forest Stewards Guild, City of Santa Fe Fire Department, Villages of Santa Fe, Christ Church Santa Fe, and AARP New Mexico, Saturday, April 27th, doors open at 10 am – 1 pm at Christ Church Santa Fe, corner of Cordova and Don Gaspar."

[Full press release:](#)

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Our shared goal is to create a Fire Adapted Community. Wildfires pose a significant threat, from burning homes to displacing families and endangering firefighters. They also degrade water quality and cost our community millions of dollars. But together, we can prepare and break this cycle.

Your involvement is crucial in this endeavor.

The key question in reducing wildfire risk is, "What can we do?" Hermits Peak Fire was devastating. Living with wildfire is about making changes before it happens. Together, we can create a safe and resilient community where fire plays its natural role without destroying lives and property.

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Learn from the experts about:

Preparing your home for 2024 fire season

- Conduct your own home assessment OR schedule a professional one FREE, with a FREE mitigation work plan
- Take positive steps that reduce the risk of your home igniting
- Create a Fire Adapted Community based upon your specific neighborhood
- Understanding Home insurance challenges in today's market

Emergency Preparation

- Get real-time alerts about wildfires and other emergencies in Santa Fe
- Create a 'Go Kit' with supplies and important family information
- Prepare an emergency plan for your family

Wildfire Modeling: Simtable creates wildfire and smoke simulations to show how fire and smoke spread through communities and how a Fire Adapted Community can reduce this risk.

Wildfire Science: Learn how a Fire Adapted Community can create a safe and resilient community where fire plays its natural role without destroying lives and property.

Insurance: Insurance in today's market can be challenging. Join us for a panel discussion on this HOT topic.

Contact: Ann Church, info@villagesofsantafe.org 505-501-8187 (w) 505-670-9718 (c)

[Click here for downloadable version of press release](#)

News from the state...

"2024 New Mexico Legislative Session - Success for Conservation"

By Judy Calman, Audubon Southwest



Photo: Daniel Pumford/Audubon Photography Awards

"The Legislative session in 2024 was a short, 30-day session solely focused on the state's budget. But in that short time, we saw huge successes for conservation funding, which will ensure restoration and protection work will happen on the ground at a far greater scale than New Mexico has ever been able to do..."

[Read on here!](#)

Upcoming state events...

The Nature Conservancy and US Forest Service

Forest and Watershed Jobs Fair

Friday, April 26, from 2-6pm, at Bataan Hall, UNM Taos

"Do you love the outdoors? Are you interested in a job that helps New Mexico and yourself? Come to this free event to learn about how you can be part of the growing restoration economy in New Mexico!

From mapping technicians to fire crew members, local partners are looking for people with little to no experience who want to contribute to healthy forests, waters and communities.

Join us at Bataan Hall to meet our staff and talk with people in the business of helping nature and people. Learn about current job and training opportunities."

TNC website event link: [Forest and Watershed Jobs Fair](#)



**Friday, April 26, 2024
2-6 p.m.**

**At the University
of New Mexico**
Bataan Hall • Taos, NM

Questions?

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Highlighted resource for the month...

State of New Mexico Office of Superintendent of Insurance (OSI)

The New Mexico Office of Superintendent of Insurance has sponsored an online interactive pamphlet.

ARE YOU PREPARED FOR A WILDIRE?

GET YOUR HOME & FINANCES READY

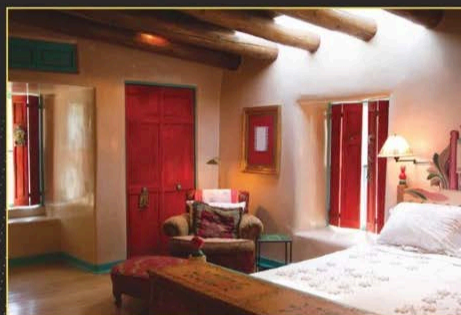


Excerpt:

PREPARE AND PROTECT YOUR HOME FROM WILDFIRE

PREPARE YOUR FINANCES

Update Your Insurance Coverage



CONDUCT AN ANNUAL INSURANCE CHECKUP

- ☒ Update your policy after remodels or home improvements.
- ☒ Ask if your policy has coverages for three key things to prevent underinsurance:
 - Extended replacement cost;
 - Building code upgrade coverage; and
 - Annual inflation adjustment.
- ☒ Be sure your policy reflects the correct square footage, number of bedrooms / bathrooms and doors and windows.
- ☒ Make sure your policy reflects your home's finishes like granite countertops or hardwood floors.
- ☒ Renters need property insurance too. Consider bundling renters insurance with your auto coverage.
- ☒ Maintain homeowners insurance if your home is paid off. Going without insurance means you won't be able to rebuild your home after a fire.

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"Prepare and protect your home from wildfire!"

[Click here to access resource](#)

Highlighted Job Postings...

From NMFWR's Monitoring Program

Now hiring Seasonal Monitoring Technicians!

"Spend time camping in the backcountry throughout New Mexico, collecting ecological monitoring data on forest restoration projects

Learn skills in data collection and analysis, backcountry first aid, plant identification, ecological restoration mechanics, using forestry equipment, and much more!"

Job application:

<https://nmhu.peopleadmin.com/postings/8913>



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Spend time camping in the backcountry throughout New Mexico, collecting ecological monitoring data on forest restoration projects

Learn skills in data collection and analysis, backcountry first aid, plant identification, ecological restoration mechanics, using forestry equipment, and much more!

Start Date: May 2024
\$18.76/hour
Meals provided during field work
Gear stipend available

Questions? Contact Carmen Melendez:
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APPLY HERE!



From Los Alamos National Laboratories - Environmental Stewardship Organization

Now hiring for Forest Health Post Bachelor's Student!

"This post-bachelor's internship is for candidates who have received a bachelor's degree within the last five years. The selected candidate would work with staff from the Environmental Protection and Compliance Division, conducting field monitoring of wildland fire mitigation, forest thinning, and forest health projects across the Laboratory's approximately 40 square miles. The program collaborates with wildland fire staff in the Emergency Management Division, craft crews, biologists, archeologists, environmental monitoring staff, and scientists from the Earth and Environmental Sciences Division."

Click link here: [Post-Bachelors ST/Forest Health Program](#)
or go to <https://lanl.jobs/> and search directly for this code: "IRC128998"



Photo from Los Alamos National Laboratories, Environmental Stewardship

If you would like any events/resources/etc. to be featured in upcoming issues, please email us passing along the information or submit the details using this link:

C4C Information Request Form: <https://arcg.is/1PbyXL>

Thank you,
Eleanor Ludwig
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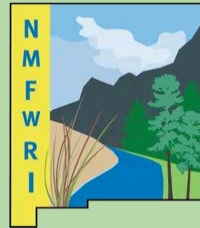
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